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Request For Proposals I-405, SR 520 to SR 522 Stage 1 Design-Build Project

ATTENTION: All Short-listed Proposers

## **DRAFT Response To Questions No. 3**

1. **Question**: With regard to the Proposal score allocations within Section 2E, "Technical Approach and Innovations in the Design and Construction of the Project", and Section 4B, "Innovations that Improve the Environmental", we need direction on how WSDOT will allocate the maximum score within the Proposal sections.

**Response**: As presented in ITP Section 3.5.2.5, Section 2E of the Proposal shall present the implemented ATCs, Betterments, changes in the Conceptual Design and other innovations which are not addressed elsewhere in the Proposal. While ITP Section 3.5.2.5 provides a list of areas that the Proposer may present Betterments or other innovations, this list is not intended to be exhaustive. The technical score for this Section will be increased when the content of Section 2E provides Betterments, innovations and/or commitments that are evaluated as beneficial to the Project.

With regard to Section 4B of the Proposal, a specific point allocation has not been assigned for this Section. The evaluation sub committee will assign an adjectival score (Poor, Good, Very Good or Excellent) and a recommended percentage of the maximum for each sub section, A through D of Proposal Section 4B. These adjectival scores and the subsequent recommended percentage of maximum will be considered by the subcommittee chairperson and an overall adjectival score and a subsequent technical score will be assigned for Section 4B based upon the "net environmental improvements" provided by the Proposal.



2. **Question**: The following insurance question has come up regarding the Excess Liability Coverage. Chapter 1 says the following:

1-07.18(1) Required Insurance

5. Excess Liability Insurance. The Design-Builder shall provide umbrella or excess liability insurance with limits not less than \$30,000,000 which will provide bodily injury, personal injury and property damage liability coverage at least as broad as the primary coverages set forth above, including Employer's Liability, Commercial General Liability and Comprehensive Automobile Liability insurance, in excess of the amounts set forth in Sections 2, 3 and 4 above.

When looking at the Commercial General Liability requirements (Item 2 of the same Insurance section), it says the Commercial General Liability insurance must be in place for five years after Physical Completion. Does this 5 year requirement extend to the Excess Liability Coverage? It will definitely increase the cost of the Excess Liability policy if it must remain in effect for 5 years after Physical Completion.

**Response**: The terms of this insurance have been modified and clarified in RFP Addenda 4 and 5.

3. **Question**: RFP documents require that all storm drainage piping in the project area be television camera inspected prior to commencement of work, including those pipes that are not currently called out for replacement under the conceptual design. Please confirm that a contract change order will be issued in the event that pipes not currently called out for replacement are determined to be substandard and require replacement as a result of post bid television camera inspection:

**Response**: Proposals shall be prepared meeting the requirements of the RFP. If in the execution of the contract, additional work is required, changes will be addressed in accordance with Section 1-04.4.

4. **Question**: Is it correct for us to assume that WSDOT will paint all WSDOT furnished components "Evergreen" to match the project requirements?

Response: Yes



5. **Question**: ITP Section 3.5.2.4, Preliminary Baseline Contract Schedule states that "In no event shall the Substantial Completion date be shown after December 31, 2007." ITP Section 3.4, Proposer Information and Certifications (Section 1), lists the maximum allowable calendar days from NTP to Substantial Completion as 750. Is the criterion for maximum duration 750 days or by December 31, 2007?

**Response**: The intent of the Contract is that the Substantial Completion date in the Proposal is no later than December 31, 2007. ITP Section 3.4, subparagraph c) will be revised in Addendum 6.

6. **Question**: We request a design criteria clarification for the detention facility to be located at Pond B4 shown on drawing DR1. Pond B4 cannot be built within the designated right-of-way as presented in the RFP conceptual design drawings. Will WSDOT require a vault structure or a pump lift station to be constructed?

**Response**: The storm drainage configuration presented in the conceptual design represents one conceptual design alternative for stormwater management for the project. Equivalent alternatives and their variations are acceptable and encouraged where these alternatives meet applicable contract requirements and yield improved designs and/or cost savings in construction.

With specific regard to Pond B4, the I-405 team believes the function of this pond can be accommodated within the available area. Use of a vault in-lieu-of a pond is acceptable, though not desirable. The need for a pump lift station seems unlikely and would be allowed only if no other reasonable solution exists.

It should also be noted that there is an existing culvert draining to the Costco parking area that is not shown in the RFP or RFP Appendices. It may be possible to use this culvert in the final design of the Project.

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